UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

CASSANDRA SHIH,

Plaintiff,

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PETAL CARD, INC. f/k/a/ CREDITBRIDGE, INC., ANDREW ENDICOTT, and JASON GROSS

Defendants.

DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL

CIVIL ACTION NO. 1:18-cv-5495

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Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I, Joshua Matz, declare and state as follows:

- 1. I am a partner at the law firm Kaplan Hecker & Fink LLP ("KHF").
- 2. Defendants have retained substitute counsel for the above-captioned matter at Alston & Bird LLP.
- My colleagues and I at KHF would therefore like to withdraw from our representation of Defendants in the above-captioned matter.
- 4. Pursuant to Local Civil Rule 1.4, I respectfully request that the Court withdraw the appearances of KHF attorneys Joshua Matz, Valerie Hletko, Roberta Kaplan, John Quinn, and Martha Fitzgerald.
- 5. Going forward, Defendants will be represented by Kelley Barnaby and Scott O'Brien at Alston & Bird LLP. On July 2, 2021, Ms. Barnaby filed a motion to appear pro hac vice (ECF 162) and Mr. O'Brien filed a notice of appearance (ECF 163).

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6. KHF's withdrawal will not affect the progress of this action in any way, nor will it prejudice Plaintiff. The parties are currently engaged in document discovery and have jointly proposed a revised discovery schedule (ECF 164) that will not be impeded by the substitution of counsel.

7. KHF is not currently asserting a retaining or charging lien.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on: July 6, 2021

Respectfully submitted,

District of Columbia

Signed and sworn to before me on this 6th day of July 2021 by Joshua Matz.

Title of Office: Notary
Commission Expires: 11/30/2025

